

## Torrance Has One Phone For Every Two Persons

There were 51.1 telephones for every 100 persons in Torrance on Jan. 1, 1963, according to a report released by the American Telephone and Telegraph Co.

The report, which took the form of a 24-page booklet entitled "The World's Telephones," took the full to prepare because of the extensive compilation of figures provided by the many counties covered by the survey.

More than nine million telephones were installed throughout the world in 1962, bringing the total number of telephones in use to 159,200,000. The United States remained first

in the number of telephones with a total of 80,969,000. Japan placed third, adding more than a million telephones in 1962.

India's percentage gain was the greatest of any nation in the world. A 16.3 per cent gain in the number of telephones was reported.

At the beginning of 1963, there were five telephones for every 100 persons in the world. The United States average is 43.1 for each 100 persons.

An interesting sidelight of

the report is the fact that New York City, with 4,798,371 telephones, outranked 20 of 27 nations covered by the report.

Robert E. Kirkman, machinery repairman fireman apprentice, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Kirkman of 3421 W. 183rd St., reported for duty aboard the repair ship USS Ajax, operating from Sasebo, Japan, as part of the Seventh Fleet.

The Ajax is the fleet's largest repair ship. It provides repair facilities to other ships, giving the fleet increased mobility.

## Founder of Homer Toberman Settlement House to Speak

Miss Caroline Porter, retired Methodist Church deaconess, will be one of the guest speakers for the joint meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and Jean Liles Wesleyan Service Guild when guild month is observed Monday at the Harbor City Methodist Church, 25904 Cayuga Ave., Lomita. The meeting is at 7:30 p.m.

During her 33 years of service to the deaconess program, Miss Porter established the Homer Toberman Settlement House in San Pedro in 1936. Since her retirement Miss Porter has traveled extensively in India, Australia and other countries.

Mrs. Pauline Young of Redondo Beach, national chairman of the Wesleyan Service Guild, will present devotions and Mrs. Bob Herb of Grandview Methodist Church, San Pedro, will appear as soloist, accompanied by her husband at the organ.

Miss Porter's appearance is one of the numerous events scheduled to honor the 25th anniversary of the unification of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

## Hollywood Reporter

By Mike Connolly

### Mike's Mailbag—

Dear Know-it-All: Why do Laurence Harvey's leading ladies dislike him so?—Mary Lou Whitehouse, Skokie, Ill.

Dear Mary Lou: Well, it can't be because he's a good actor so we'll have to look for some other reasons.

Dear Mike: Why do all show business people have their noses bobbed and their faces changed? — Peggy Ann Colman, Yucaipa, Calif.

Dear Peggy Ann: Not all do. Barbra Streisand, Tony Bennett, Jimmy Durante and Danny Thomas have prominent noses and are quite happy about the way they look.

Dear Mr. C: Is Elvis married? — Lane Cuyler, Silver Spring, Md.

Dear Lane: I wouldn't be surprised — and her name is Priscilla Beaulieu.

Dear Mr. Connolly: I always read what you have to say about the movies and I know your desire to be fair. But your answer to a reader who wanted to know why Doris Day is going to a hospital when she is a Christian Scientist is somewhat misleading. A student of Christian Science may go to our Benevolent Sanatoriums and there are many private homes, governed by Christian Scientists, where they may be admitted. No loyal student would go to materia medica (cg) for treatment. They do not mix. However, Miss Day has the privilege to do just as she desires, even though I can't believe many students would side with your statement about going to a hospital for medical treatment. I think you should correct your statement.—Harry K. McIntosh, C. S., San Francisco, Calif.

My dear Mike: Your column is sarcastic, snide, screwy and, worst of all, scurrilous. Also kind, considerate, humorous—and sometimes I detect a bit of a lump in the throat. The reason I worship you from afar is that in these respects I am exactly like you—S.V.S., New York, N.Y.

Dear S.V.S.: It's not really a lump, it's a double chin brought on by all the hard candy I've been chewing to quit smoking.

Dear Mike: Could you please tell me how to get in touch with Marlene Dietrich? I admire her so much. I was wondering if she has any secret exercises for keeping her legs so lovely: I really enjoy your hard-writing column. — Mrs. E. C. Bowen, Torrance, Calif.

Dear Mrs. Bowen: Marlene gave her address to "Celebrity Register" so I assume it's okay to pass it along. It's 993 Park Avenue, New York City. Her secrets are exercise (walking and kick-ups) and massage. Lots of it. Don you suppose hard writing and hard candy go hand in hand?

Dear Mr. Connolly: It is true the former mates of Jackie Cooper and Susan Hayward—meaning June Horne and Jess Barker—haven't merged because of the generous alimony June would forfeit if she remarried? — Irene Lofts, New York, N. Y.

Dear Irene: Couldn't be. June forfeited that when she married Richard Melvin, even though they subsequently separated.

Dear Harry: Thanks for clearing it up. I got my information from a member of the Science of Mind congregation here in Hollywood.

Dear Mike: How much did Judy Garland weigh last year and what does she weigh now? — Gene Collins, River Falls, Wis.

Dear Gene: She's down from 160 to under 100.

Dear Mike: I heard they were going to do a bathtub scene with Audrey Hepburn, showing her getting all that cockney grime scrubbed off, in "My Fair Lady," but that they decided against it. Why?—Jack Negri, Pueblo, Colo.

Dear Jack: The Warners—that-be decided Audrey was too thin to look sexy in a bathtub.

(Mike Connolly welcomes all reader questions, but due to the large volume of mail received, it may be some time before the answer to your question appears in his column.)

Marine Cpl. Leland B. Williams, son of Mrs. Vernie Williams of 715½ E. 214th St., recently participated in a gun-fire demonstration aboard the amphibious assault ship USS Boxer for representatives from the Armed Forces War College.



LOCAL WINNER . . . Mrs. H. D. Skiggs accepts check for \$100 from Manager Danny McKenna of the Good Giant market at 190th Street and Anza Avenue as weekly winner in the "Hit 100" contest now under way at the store. An interested party to the transaction is Mrs. Skigg's daughter.

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